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1. During the North Korean occupation of the Republic of Korea, the Bureau of State Security of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of North Korea had a southern occupation organization made up of three sections: *
- First Section, responsible for organizing intelligence nets in ROK.
 - Second Section, responsible for spotting and investigating persons with records of conservative or rightist sympathies in opposition to Communist activities and policies or persons actively uncooperative or hostile to the policies of the North Korean occupation or the North Korean Labor Party in ROK. Its duties included arrest and investigation of personnel of the ROK armed forces and police.
 - Third Section, duties not known.
2. The Second Section showed the following organization for ROK:

State Security Bureau

PANG Hak-se (方澤世)

Second Section (Overall)**

Chief: CHANG (張)

CHONG U-sop (鄭于燮)
(position unknown)

ROK Second Section Division

Chief: CHON (全)

ROK Networks

Chief: CHONG Yong-ho (金英鎬)

YI Yong-sop
(李永燮)MUN Wang-se
(文旺世)KIM Tae-yop
(金泰燾)CHONG Hwan-nok
(鄭煥錄)CH'OE Tong-sik
(崔東植)KIM Yong-sik
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(崔炳文)YI Chong-kon
(李鍾坤)CH'A Yu-tok
(卓有德)

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3. The name and premises of the Tong-Nip (東立) Joint Stock Company in Seoul were used as cover for an unknown number of North Korean State Security Bureau operations, including those of the chief of ROK networks, CHONG Yong-ho. One State Security Bureau informant who was left in Seoul after the North Korean withdrawal was instructed to spend two months with a mission to organize an intelligence network. If he was unsuccessful within that time, he was to flee to North China, where, if he was captured or arrested by Communist forces, he was to identify himself as part of the "CHONG line" or the "Tong-Nip line"; he would then be taken to a local State headquarters for further investigation.
4. In front-line areas, counter-intelligence work was handled by security units attached to People's Army command posts at army, division, and battalion level.
5. Security units checked travelers moving from occupied areas towards the south to determine especially whether they were ROK soldiers or police. Travelers in civilian clothing were stripped and examined for pack strap marks on the shoulders, military cap marks on the forehead, and callouses on the soles of the feet, the elbows, and the trigger finger. Civilians were returned to the areas from which they had come, but persons judged to be military or police were executed by North Korean troops.
6. Additional personnel of the State Security Bureau in Seoul included:
 - a. YI Yong-kun (李永根), ostensibly head of a Labor Investigation Office, but actually assigned to counter-intelligence work.***
 - b. KO Chin-kuk, chief of the Investigation Section of the State Security Bureau in Seoul, attached to the People's Army.
7. A Political Operations Unit (Chon: Ch'i Kong Chak Tae), in Seoul, which had the function to investigate, arrest and eliminate anti-Communist elements in the city,**** included the following important members:
 - a. Chief, KIM Pyong (金 炳), native of North Hamgyong, age approximately 45. He helped to organize the Korean Communist Party in eastern Manchuria during the Japanese occupation and after the war was active in the Communist and then the Labor Party in North Korea. He arrived in Seoul on 20 June 1950 from Pyongyang to carry on Communist propaganda activities and in early July assumed the position as head of the political operations unit.
 - b. KIM Tong-su (金東秀), native of Kyongsong (129-40, 41-40), age 41, worked in the Mukden office of the South Manchurian Railroad during the Japanese occupation. After the war he went to Pyongyang and eventually became head of an unidentified section of the North Korean Department of Commerce.
 - c. YI Sung-kyu (李承奎), native of North Hamgyong, age 39, attached to the Bureau of State Security in Pyongyang until early July, when he went to Seoul.
 - d. CH'OE Tong-ho (崔東鎬), native of Onsong (130-00, 42-55), age 43; chairman of the North Korean Labor Party in Chorwon (127-12, 38-14) County until he went to Seoul in early July.

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* [] Comment: This is apparently the adaptation for ROK of the organization plan already established in the north []

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** [] Comment: It was not clear [] what portion of the Second Section was represented in this diagram nor whether other divisions or command elements occur between the Second Section chief in the central government and the ROK division chief, and between the latter and the ROK network direction.

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*** [] Comment: A major general of this name was previously identified as head of the Cultural Office under the North Korean Department of Internal Affairs. []

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**** [] Comment: Although this unit was not [] connected with the State Security Bureau, its functions tally so closely with those of the Second Section described above that it is included here as a possible element of that office. Among the personnel attached to it, the following have been previously identified:

CH'OE Tong-ho, workers' representative named in radio broadcasts.
KIM Pyong, Chinese trained, former director of the East Manchuria Sino-Korean Cultural Association and the Min Sheng newspaper and political commissar of the Military and Political University at Yenching []

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KIM Tong-su, Japanese educated, head of the military section of the North Korean army Second Central Officers Training School at Pyongyang; []

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